

Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Post-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within **30 days** of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the **Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building**.

In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached:

- ☒ The **original** *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* (Form RE-1), **AND**
- ☒ A **copy** of the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.)

Partnership for a Secure America

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): _____

Travel date(s): May 12-13, 2018

Name of accompanying family member (if any): _____

Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

IF THE COST OF LODGING **DID NOT INCREASE** DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

Expenses for Employee:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate	\$41.25	\$90.00	\$77.00	\$170.37 for conference services over two days
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable):

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate				
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if necessary.):

See attachments

6-5-18
(Date)

Courtney Davis
(Printed name of traveler)

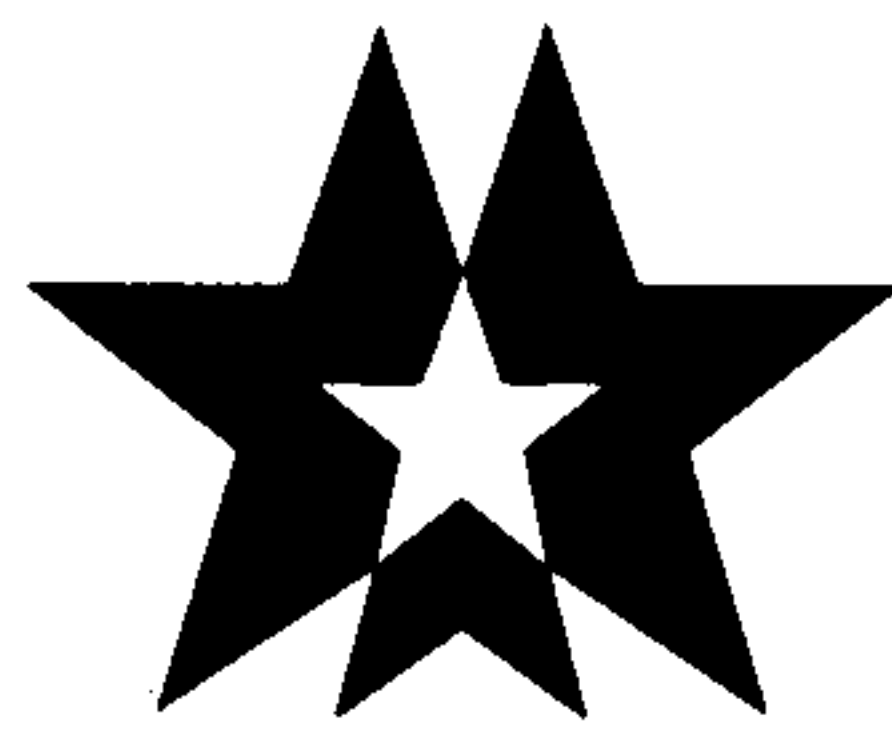
Courtney Davis
(Signature of traveler)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER:

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

6-11-18
(Date)

Mary F. B. J.
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)



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Congressional Partnership Program Retreat Spring 2018

Saturday, May 12th

1:30 pm	Depart from Union Station, Washington, DC
3:00 – 4:00 pm	Arrive at Airlie Conference Center & Check-in
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Material Review and Preparation
5:00 – 5:30 pm	Opening Remarks and Review of Agenda: Nathan Sermonis, PSA
5:30 – 7:00 pm	Airlie House – Meadow Room Guest Speakers: Ambassador Robert Gallucci, Former Ambassador-at-Large and Special Envoy for the U.S. Department of State Topic: Negotiating with North Korea
7:00 – 7:30 pm	Federal Room Pre-Dinner Reception Informal conversations with guest speakers
7:30 – 9:00 pm	Federal Room Keynote Dinner Guest Speaker: Ambassador Ryan Crocker Topic: Global Challenges for Today and Tomorrow
9:00 – 10:00 pm	Federal Room After-Dinner Reception Informal conversations with guest speakers

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Sunday, May 13th

8:00 – 9:00 am

Airlie House – Dining Room
Breakfast

9:00 – 12:00 pm

Group A
Airlie House – Meadow Room
National Security Council Simulation
National Security Advisor: Mr. Robert Sheldon,
Director for Policy – Emerging Threats at the
Business Executives for National Security

9:00 – 10:30 am

Group B
Airlie – Jefferson Room
Guest Speaker: Ms. Bonnie Glaser, Senior
Advisor for Asia, CSIS
Topic: Future of US-China Policy

10:30 – 12:00 pm

Group B
Airlie – Jefferson Room
Guest Speaker: Ms. Melinda Haring, Editor of the
UkraineAlert Blog, Atlantic Council and Fellow,
Foreign Policy Research Institute & Mr. Thomas
Carothers, Senior Vice President for Studies at
the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
Topic: Does Democracy Matter?

12:00 – 1:00 pm

Airlie House – Dining Room
Lunch and informal conversations with guests
speakers

1:00 – 2:00 pm

Informal conversations with guest speakers

2:00 – 5:00 pm

Group B

United States Senate

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

May 4, 2018

Courtney Davis
Office of Senator Michael F. Bennet
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Ms. Davis:

This responds to your recent correspondence concerning an invitation you received to travel to a foreign policy and national security program in Warrenton, Virginia, on May 12-13, 2018, sponsored by the Partnership for a Secure America (PSA). PSA certified to the Select Committee on Ethics (the Committee) that it will pay the *necessary expenses*¹ related to the travel and that it is neither a lobbyist, nor lobbying firm, nor an agent of a foreign principal, and it is not otherwise acting as a representative or agent of a foreign government. PSA has also certified that it does not retain or employ a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal and that no registered lobbyist will accompany you at *any point throughout your trip*.²

Based on information and materials available to the Committee, and assuming the **actual** travel and travel-related expenses conform to the information and materials you provided, it appears that the proposed payment or reimbursement of necessary expenses for this trip **may be accepted** under relevant Senate Rules and the Committee's *Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel*, so long as at the time of the payment or reimbursement, PSA is neither a registered lobbyist nor lobbying firm under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, nor an agent of a foreign principal under the Foreign Agents Registration Act (and is not otherwise acting as a representative or agent of a foreign government), and provided the travel and all required documents are disclosed to the Secretary of the Senate in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rules 34 and 35.

Under Senate Rule 35, Senate staff must receive advance authorization signed by the Member or officer under whose direct supervision the individual works in order to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary expenses related to fact-finding travel. Further, such authorization and expenses must be disclosed to the Secretary of the Senate by filing the completed *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* and the *Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses* (Form RE-1 and Form RE-2), along with a copy of the *Private Sponsor Travel*

¹ The term "necessary expenses" has a specific definition. See *Select Committee on Ethics' Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel – Glossary of Terms* at 8.

² The term "any point throughout your trip" has a specific definition. See *id.* at 2.

Certification Form, and all relevant attachments (e.g., the private sponsor's invitation and itinerary) **within 30 days of the conclusion of Privately-Sponsored Travel**.

Finally, Senate Rule 34 requires a reporting individual,³ on his or her Financial Disclosure Report, to make an annual disclosure of the receipt of payments or reimbursements under Senate Rule 35 from a private sponsor for officially-related travel expenses where, in the aggregate, travel expenses exceed \$390 from that sponsor during a calendar year. However, if a Member, officer, or employee properly reports the receipt of necessary expenses for such travel to the Secretary of the Senate within 30 days of the travel, as discussed above, the travel expenses need not be disclosed a second time on their Financial Disclosure Report.

I hope you find this information helpful. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee.

Sincerely,



Deborah Sue Mayer
Chief Counsel and Staff Director

Enclosure: Travel Checklist

³ A reporting individual is someone whose salary equals or exceeds 120% of the basic rate of pay for GS-15 (\$126,148 for CY 2018) or is a political fund designee and is required to file Financial Disclosure Reports.